



701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201

## Council Memo

Department Source: Parks and Recreation

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: June 15, 2026

Re: North Village Park Construction – Sidewalk and Parking Closure

Impacted Ward: Ward 1

### Executive Summary

The Parks and Recreation Department is requesting City Council approval of a resolution authorizing the North Village Park construction contractor, Reinhardt Construction, to close the sidewalks and parking spaces on the perimeter of North Village Park. This will include the sidewalks and parking spaces located within the park property along Orr Street, St. James Street, Ash Street and Park Avenue. The closure is needed for the removal of the existing infrastructure and construction of new sidewalks and parking lanes on all four sides of the park. The closure of the sidewalks and parking lanes will begin after approval of the resolution through November 27, 2026.

### Discussion

At the March 18, 2024 City Council meeting, the master plan and phase I construction of North Village Park was approved. The proposed park development includes perimeter curb and sidewalk improvements, utility and stormwater infrastructure upgrades, turf and landscaping installation, tree plantings, park lighting, public art, flexible performance area, active family space with themed playground and seating spaces, and parking improvements. At the March 18, 2026 City Council meeting, an appropriation of funds was authorized for the capital improvement project that allowed the City to enter into a contract with Reinhardt Construction to complete the park development.

The Parks and Recreation Department is requesting City Council approval of a resolution authorizing the North Village Park construction contractor, Reinhardt Construction, to close the sidewalks and parking spaces on the perimeter of North Village Park.

Staff is proposing to close the perimeter sidewalks and parking lanes on all four sides of the park property, including Park Avenue, Ash Street, Orr Street and St. James Street. The closure of all four sides of the park property is necessary to expedite project construction and allow for the coordination and installation of the Silva Cell infrastructure, tree wells, porous paver parking spaces, concrete walkways, box culvert, stormwater inlets, concrete parking spaces and underground utilities. Reinhardt Construction will coordinate multiple subcontractors to complete the work listed above and the closure of all sidewalks and parking lanes will improve the ability to coordinate the different aspects of the project at the same time.



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McClure Engineering included the pedestrian detour plan within the construction documents that have been approved by the City Columbia. Parks and Recreation staff has reviewed the plans with the Public Works Department and Community Development Department as well. Reinhardt Construction will be responsible for maintaining the signage for the closure and ensuring that it meets the requirements of the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) for the duration of the project. Staff will also ensure that the sidewalk barricades meet Public Works specifications including a cane detectable bottom rail. Parks and Recreation staff has also reviewed the plans with the Public Works Department and Community Development Department.

Reinhardt Construction will close the sidewalks and parking lanes after the resolution is approved by City Council. It is anticipated that the closure of the sidewalks and parking lanes will be through November 27, 2026. Staff will work with Reinhardt Construction to open any sidewalks and parking lanes that are completed before this date.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: N/A  
Long-Term Impact: N/A

Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Reliable and Sustainable Infrastructure, Secondary Impact: Inclusive and Equitable Community, Tertiary Impact: Safe Community

Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Infrastructure, Secondary Impact: Mobility, Connectivity, and Accessibility, Tertiary Impact: Inter-Governmental Cooperation

Legislative History

Date	Action
May 18, 2026	B132-26: Amending the FY 2026 Annual Budget by appropriating funds in the amount of \$1,425,000.00 associated with development of the North Village Park located at 210 Orr Street.  <a href="#">City of Columbia, Missouri - File #: B132-26 (legistar.com)</a>
July 21, 2025	R100-25: Authorizing an agreement for professional engineering services with McClure Engineering Co. associated with development and construction of the North Village Park improvement project.



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Date	Action
March 18, 2024	<p><a href="#">City of Columbia, Missouri - File #: R100-25 (legistar.com)</a></p> <p>B53-24: Naming North Village Park; approving the North Village Park Master Plan; authorizing construction of improvements at North Village Park; calling for bids for a portion of the project through the Purchasing Division.</p> <p><a href="#">City of Columbia, Missouri - File #: B53-24 (legistar.com)</a></p>
August 7, 2023	<p>B173-23: Authorizing a real estate contract with Vicarious LLC for the acquisition of property located at 307 and 309 St. James Street to be used for park and greenspace purposes.</p> <p><a href="#">City of Columbia, Missouri - File #: B173-23 (legistar.com)</a></p>
June 20, 2023	<p>B135-23: Authorizing a grant agreement with the Missouri Department of Economic Development associated with the Missouri ARPA Community Revitalization Grant Program to be utilized for the proposed development of the Orr Street Park property; amending the FY 2023 Annual Budget by appropriating funds.</p> <p><a href="#">City of Columbia, Missouri - File #: B135-23 (legistar.com)</a></p>
April 19, 2021	<p>B128-21: Authorizing a contract for sale of real estate with Union Electric Company, d/b/a Ameren Missouri, for the acquisition of property located at 209 St. James Street and 210 Orr Street to be potentially used for greenspace, parks, arts, and/or market activities.</p> <p><a href="#">City of Columbia, Missouri - File #: B128-21 (legistar.com)</a></p>

Suggested Council Action

Approve the resolution authorizing the closure of the sidewalks and parking lanes for the construction of North Village Park, including Orr Street, Park Avenue, St. James Street and Ash Street.